

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. An image processing method for converting data  
dependent on a first illuminating light into data  
dependent on a second illuminating light, comprising  
5 steps of:

storing conversion data for plural illuminating  
lights having different characteristics;

generating data indicating the proportion of  
synthesis of said plural illuminating lights having  
10 different characteristics, corresponding to said second  
illuminating light; and

converting data dependent on said first  
illuminating light into data dependent on said second  
illuminating light, based on said conversion data for  
15 plural illuminating lights having different  
characteristics, and said data indicating the  
proportion of synthesis.

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2. An image processing method according to claim  
1, wherein said plural illuminating lights are  
different in color rendering property.

3. An image processing method according to claim  
1, wherein said data indicating the proportions of  
25 plural syntheses are stored in advance according to the  
kinds of the illuminating light.

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4. An image processing method according to claim 3, wherein the kind of said second illuminating light is designated by the user and said data indicating the proportion of synthesis are selected according to said designated kind of the second illuminating light.

5. An image processing method according to claim 1, wherein said data indicating the proportion of synthesis are generated according to a manual instruction of the user.

6. An image processing method according to claim 1, wherein said data indicating the proportion of synthesis are generated according to the output from a sensor for measuring the illuminating light.

7. An image processing method according to claim 1, wherein said conversion data are matrix data.

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8. An image processing apparatus for converting data dependent on a first illuminating light into data dependent on a second illuminating light, comprising:  
storage means for storing conversion data for plural illuminating lights having different characteristics;

generation means for generating data indicating the proportion of synthesis of said plural illuminating

lights having different characteristics, corresponding to said second illuminating light; and

conversion means for converting data dependent on said first illuminating light into data dependent on said second illuminating light, based on said conversion data for plural illuminating lights having different characteristics, and said data indicating the proportion of synthesis.

9. A computer readable recording medium storing a program said program comprising the steps of:

storing conversion data for plural illuminating lights having different characteristics;

generating data indicating the proportion of synthesis of said plural illuminating lights having different characteristics, corresponding to said second illuminating light; and

converting data dependent on said first illuminating light into data dependent on said second illuminating light, based on said conversion data for plural illuminating lights having different characteristics, and said data indicating the proportion of synthesis.

10. An image processing method comprising steps of:

setting an ambient lighting characteristic

inputting image data dependent on an input device;  
and

10 11. An image processing method according to claim  
10, wherein said correction for the ambient lighting is  
achieved by correction of color rendering based on said  
ambient lighting characteristic coefficient.

15            12. An image processing method according to claim  
11, wherein said correction of color rendering is  
10            achieved by a weighted process on said conversion data  
corresponding to the plural light sources having  
different color rendering properties, based on said  
20            ambient lighting characteristic coefficient.

13. An image processing method according to claim 10, wherein matrix coefficients relating to said correction for the ambient lighting are calculated according to said ambient lighting characteristic coefficient.

14. An image processing method according to claim 13, wherein said calculated matrix coefficients are registered according to a manual instruction.

5 15. An image processing method according to claim 10, further comprising a step of:

— setting the color temperature and the luminance of the ambient light;

10 wherein said correction for the ambient light is achieved by a color adapted conversion according to said color temperature and luminance.

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15 16. An image processing apparatus comprising:  
setting means for setting an ambient lighting characteristic coefficient according to a manual instruction;

input means for entering image data dependent on an input device; and

20 conversion means for effecting correction for the ambient lighting on said entered image data based on said input device, a display device and said ambient lighting characteristic coefficient, thereby achieving conversion into image data dependent on said display device.

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17. A computer readable recording medium storing a program for executing an image processing method,

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setting an ambient lighting characteristic  
coefficient according to a manual instruction;  
inputting image data dependent on an input device;

effecting correction for the ambient lighting on said inputted image data based on an input device, a display device and said ambient lighting characteristic coefficient, thereby achieving conversion into image data dependent on said display device.